

27—12.84 (161C) Cost-share rates. The following cost-share rates shall apply for eligible practices designated in rule 27—12.82(161C). The use of state cost-share funds alone or in combination with other public funds shall not exceed the limits established by these rules.

12.84(1) *Windbreaks.* 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$1500 for the total cost of the establishment or restoration of the windbreak.

12.84(2) *Field windbreaks.* 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$450 per acre.

12.84(3) *Forest stand improvement.* 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$120 per acre for prescribed woodland burning, thinning, pruning crop trees, or releasing seedlings or young trees.

12.84(4) *Tree planting.*

a. 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$450 per acre, for tree planting including the following:

- (1) Establishing ground cover,
- (2) Trees and tree-planting operations,
- (3) Weed and pest control,
- (4) Mowing, disking, and spraying.

b. 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$150 per acre for woody plant competition control.

12.84(5) *Site preparation for natural regeneration.* 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$120 per acre of site preparation.

12.84(6) *Riparian forest buffer.* 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less.

12.84(7) *Rescue treatment.*

a. 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$60 per acre to establish alternate cover for competition control.

b. A one-time payment of 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$15 per acre to control damaging rodent populations.

c. 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less, not to exceed \$450 per acre, for plantation replanting including the following:

- (1) Establishing ground cover,
- (2) Trees and tree planting,
- (3) Weed control.

12.84(8) *Prescribed grazing.* 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less. Systems must include at least two paddocks of native species grasses. Development of a water source is not eligible. Boundary fences or road fences are not included.

12.84(9) *Conservation cover.* 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost, whichever is less.

12.84(10) *Fencing systems.* Fencing systems used to implement or protect a conservation practice described in rule 27—12.82(161C) are eligible for the lesser of 75 percent of the eligible or estimated cost. The fencing costs cannot exceed \$14 per rod for permanent fencing or \$5 per rod for temporary electric fencing. Fences along roads or land boundaries are not eligible.